

Superintendent's Snapshot

MARICOPA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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By the Numbers, Beyond the Norm

Big dreams demand big thinking. These Maricopa High School graduates may all be headed into economics, but each one is writing their own bottom line.

Leonardo Ramirez Aguilar – Maricopa High School

Leonardo is charting a bold course at Arizona State University, where he'll study economics with plans to serve as a Navy Surface Warfare Officer. At MHS, he found steady ground in both AFJROTC and National Honor Society, balancing discipline, academics, and a clear sense of direction. Now he's turning that compass toward something bigger, and he's ready for the next challenge on deck.

Brady McMullen – Maricopa High School

As Salutatorian, Brady pairs academic strength with deep ties to his community. He'll take his talents to the University of Notre Dame, where he'll major in finance and economics. A scholar-athlete, DECA leader, and Maricopa Youth Council member, Brady is invested in his future and ours. His goal is to return to Maricopa and drive economic growth and opportunity where it matters most. Brady is the perfect example of how hometown pride can be the spark behind big dreams.

Jaden C. Franklin – Maricopa High School

Valedictorian. Eagle Scout. AP Capstone Diploma. Each line on the résumé reflects focus, follow-through, and a willingness to take on what's difficult. Jaden is headed to Yale University to study ethics, politics, and economics, a combination built for big questions and bigger impact. Through DECA and civic work, the connection between ideas and action was never just theory. What comes next is Yale. What comes after that is anyone's guess, but it won't be small.

This is what preparation looks like, and it's only the beginning.

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